ALASKA POWER ADMINISTRATION/Parliamentary Vote

SUBJECT: Alaska Power Administration Sale Act... S. 395. Murkowski motion to table the committee amendment beginning on page 1, line 3.

ACTION: MOTION TO TABLE AGREED TO, 80-6

SYNOPSIS: As reported, S. 395, the Alaska Power Administration Sale Act, will direct the Secretary of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration and will repeal the current prohibitions on the export of Alaskan North Slope oil.

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The committee amendment beginning on page 1, line 3, would make noncontroversial changes.

Debate was limited by unanimous consent. Following debate, Senator Murkowski moved to table the amendment. The vote was procedural. Generally, those favoring the motion to table favored the expeditious consideration of the bill; those opposing the motion to table wished to extend debate on the bill.

Those favoring the motion to table contended:

The only reason certain Senators have objected to the first committee amendment is that they oppose this bill and they hope that their objection to the adoption of this noncontroversial committee amendment will delay consideration of substantive issues. To prevent this tactic from succeeding, we have moved to table the committee amendment. Later on in the debate we will reoffer it. For now, though, we urge all Senators to join us in supporting the motion to table.

No arguments were expressed in opposition to the motion to table.

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